

PRIMARY SCHOOLS READY TO BEGIN BASEBALL SEASON

Youngsters Divided Into Three
Leagues—Championship Games
Start on April 6.

Baseball in the primary schools of Richmond will begin with the first championship games scheduled April 6. This year the schools have been divided into three leagues, the Central, Eastern and Western. As in former years, a trophy will be given to the winning team by The Times-Dispatch. The winning team in each league will play the winner in the other sections. Following is a list of the rules and regulations, together with the schedule:

1. Boys to be eligible for places on the teams must be under sixteen years of age April 1 of this year. Violation of this rule will mean forfeiture of the games played.

2. Each captain must furnish the umpire with a written batting order for his team before the beginning of the game.

3. The captains will be expected to secure umpires for the games when it is impossible for the league managers to do so.

4. Each team will be expected to furnish a team of good condition for each game; the ball belonging to each team to be used in alternate innings.

5. In order that official records of the league be kept, the captain of the winning team must sign on a postal card to L. T. Jones, at John Marshall High School, the score of the game, the names of the umpires and the approximate number of spectators or fans present. This should be mailed on the day of the game. Neglect of this may cause loss of game.

6. Any boy whose weekly standing in school work is unsatisfactory may be debarred by the principal from playing on his school team.

7. In order that the games may be played without any disorder, every player is expected to abide by the umpire's decisions. Let every player conduct himself like a true sportsman.

8. The games in the western section will be played on the northeast diamond, in Hyde Park. Games in the eastern section may be played on C. C. A. diamond, as has been the custom during the past two or four years.

9. Games will be played at a time and place mutually agreed upon by the two teams.

10. Each school entering will be required to send to L. T. Jones, on or before April 3, an agreement signed by the principal, as follows:

"We wish to join the Grammar School Baseball League of Richmond, and in so doing agree as follows:

a. To abide by the decision of the umpire.

b. Not to drop out of the league until the season closes.

c. To conduct ourselves as gentlemen on the field.

d. To certify that each of the boys in the above list is at the present time a pupil in my school and entitled to be on the team."

Schedule.
Central League, at St. Andrew's Field:
April 6—Madison vs. Randolph.
April 7—Arents vs. Nicholson.
April 14—Jackson vs. Randolph.
April 17—Madison vs. Arents.
April 20—Jackson vs. Nicholson.
April 21—Randolph vs. Arents.
April 24—Madison vs. Jackson.
April 27—Nicholson vs. Randolph.
April 28—Arents vs. Jackson.
April 29—Madison vs. Nicholson.
Eastern League, at C. C. A. Field:
April 6—Fairmount vs. Bellevue.
April 7—Chimborazo vs. Springfield.
April 14—Jefferson vs. Chimborazo.
April 17—Fairmount vs. Chimborazo.
April 20—Jefferson vs. Springfield.
April 24—Fairmount vs. Springfield.
April 27—Jefferson vs. Chimborazo.
April 28—Springfield vs. Fairmount.
Western League:
April 6—Fox vs. Powhatan.
April 7—Cary vs. Ruffner.
April 14—Ella vs. Powhatan.
April 17—Fox vs. Cary.
April 20—Ella vs. Ruffner.
April 24—Cary vs. Powhatan.
April 27—Fox vs. Ella.
April 28—Ruffner vs. Powhatan.
April 30—Fox vs. Ruffner.
L. T. Jones, chairman; W. C. Blakey, secretary; J. T. Fontana, D. H. Rucker, C. H. Dunnaway, A. E. Tompkins.

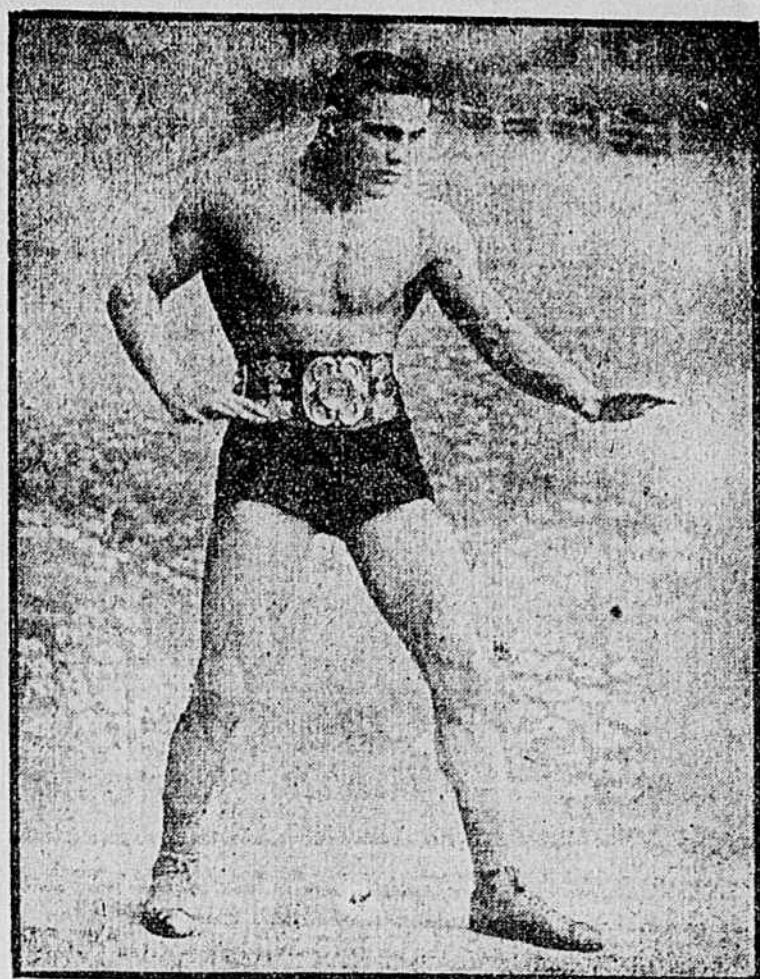
PHILLIES CAN'T PLAY LAST GAME

Wilmington, N. C., March 21.—Rain to-day prevented the Philadelphia Nationals from making to-day the final game on their training grounds with the Baltimore International. The team will leave here to-morrow evening on their way back to Philadelphia.

DALLAS OUTFIT LOSES TO GIANTS

Dallas, Tex., March 21.—The New York National League first team to-day defeated the Dallas Texas League team here 10 to 1 in a game made slow by cold weather.

JOHN KILONIS



Greek grappler, who expects to defeat Joe Turner when they meet in the Academy to-morrow night at 8:30 o'clock at catch weights. The Greek is very popular here, and many believe that under the conditions of the match he will win.

HOPES OF HURLERS NO BAR TO WARLIKE CLUBS

Sixty-Three Faithfuls Spoil Chances of No-Hit Fame
by Smashing Out Lone Safety in
American League.

BY ERNEST J. LANIGAN.
(Publicity Department, Washington and Lee.)

When Rex Beach wrote his thrilling tale of Arctic life, "The Spoilers," he had in mind for the character of the villain, according to a high official of the American League Pitchers' Protective Association, the man who, by making a single safety, prevented hurlers from entering the no-hit class.

In the thirteen years of the Johnstown organization's major league career, sixty-three pastimes have exhibited pernicious activity, and by singling, doubling or tripling, have spoiled seventy-three bold bids for no-hit games. Patrick Henry Dougherty, of Bolivar, N. Y., who started his American League career wearing the jersey of the Red Sox and finished it while working in the garb of the White Sox, was the chief member of "The Spoilers' Brigade." He kept four men from having their pictures hung in the pitchers' hall of fame, these men being left-handers "Rube" Waddell and "Dolly" Gray and right-handers "Kleppner" Summers and Joe Lake. When the Oil Kings prevented the Washingtonian from twirling hitless ball, Gray heaped eleven passes on the White Sox, eight of these coming in the second inning, when Chicagoans acquired six runs. "Dolly" deadheaded seven men in a row and lost the combat, 6 to 4, "Death Valley" Jim Scott pitching against him.

Next to Dougherty in unpopularity with the pitchers stands Garland Jacob Stahl, former pilot of the once champion Red Sox. While the Illinois banker was acquiring his title of "The Horn Leader" in Washington some years back, he prevented the registration of a trio of no-hit games by making one swat in each of these contests. Twice he kept Frank Paderevski Smith out of the ranks of the hitless heroes and once he prevented Eddie Plank from joining them.

Three athletes—Harry Benis, Arthur Truesdale and Danny Hoffman—all in the minors now, have put the kibosh on two attempts for no-hit games. The former Cleveland catcher picked Ed Walsh and Tom Hughes as his victims. Truesdale selected Walter Johnson and Frank Olinstead, and Hoffman lit on Russell Ford and Adelle Joss. Ty Cobb also has ruined two attempts of pitchers to reach the glory zone, he having spoiled the bids of "Rube" Waddell and Adelle Joss. The Peach's safety off the left-handers came in the first inning, Tybus being the first man to face him.

Showing that pitchers can hit, there too stand instances of batters making the lone safety in American League

contests. The men who turned the trick were Joe Yeager, Eddie Killian, Jack Coombs, Harry White, Elmer Koestner and Ed Walsh. The Big Moose's wallop earned for him a 3 to 1 decision over Jack Warhop, of the Yankees.

These are "The Spoilers":
Spoilers of No-Hit Games.
White Sox, 16—Dougherty, for Gray, of Washington, Lake of New York, and Summers of Detroit; Weaver, for Mitchell, of Cleveland, and Dabbs, of Detroit; Gleason, for Collins, of Boston; Sugden, for Moore, of Cleveland; Jones, for Orth, of New York; Walsh, for Warhop, of New York; Slaton, for Coombs, of New York; Gandy, for Coombs, of Philadelphia; Hahn, for Dolly, of St. Louis; Atz, for Waddell, of St. Louis; White, for Walker, of Washington; Donohue, for Donovan, of Detroit; Cravath, for Mullin, of Detroit.

Red Sox, 8—C. Stahl, for Rhoades, of Cleveland; Parent, for Hogg, of New York; Speaker, for Coombs, of Philadelphia; Hooper, for Russell, of Chicago; Hayden, for Walsh, of Chicago; Wagner, for Dygert, of Philadelphia; Dougherty, for Waddell, of Philadelphia.
Tigers, 6—Cobb, for Hughes, of Philadelphia; Callahan, of Chicago; Stange, for Walsh, of Chicago; Killian, for Joss, of Cleveland; Crawford, for Joss, of Cleveland.
Yankees, 6—Elberfeld, for Berger, of Cleveland; Hoffman, for Joss, of Cleveland; Chase, for Glade, of St. Louis; Cree, for Hamilton, of St. Louis; Peckinpase, for Hamilton, of St. Louis; Knight, for Cashion, of Washington.
Naps, 5—Benis, for Walsh, of Chicago; Speck, for Hughes, of Philadelphia; Koestner, for Hall, of Boston; Turner, for Walsh, of Chicago; Bradley, for White, of Chicago.
White Elephants, 5—Lord, for White, of Chicago; Coombs, for Hess, of Cleveland; Hartzel, for Joss, of Cleveland; D. Murphy, for Joss, of Cleveland; Baker, for Johnson, of Washington.
Brewers, 2—Conroy, for Dowling, of Cleveland; Hallman, for Dowling, of Cleveland.

MILES SHOULD BE AN IDEAL LEADER

Lexington, Va., March 21.—When Washington and Lee's basketball picked "Buck" Miles as their captain for next year, they selected for this honor the man who led the Generals in scoring during the late campaign. The White and Blue quintette garnered 429 points this year, Captain-Elect Miles manufacturing 148, or a trifle over a third. He shot forty-four fair goals and sixty from fouls. Three other Generals—Bear, McCain and Young—harvested more than fifty points, each of the two first named being credited with eighty-four and the last named with fifty-eight. Every man who played for Washington and Lee this year took a hand in the scoring, though no athlete was able to shoot fair goals in each contest. Bear almost did so, failing, however, to locate the basket in the struggle with Georgetown. The retiring captain secured nine field goals in the game with the Maryland Aggies. Cy Young approaching nearest to this record with the eight he landed in that struggle and in the clash with South Carolina. The points scored by each man are enumerated below:

Miles—44 goals from field, 60 from fouls, 148 points.

Bear—42 goals from field, 84 points.

McCain—43 goals from field, 84 points.

Young—29 goals from field, 58 points.

Lille—11 goals from field, 22 points.

Sealey—6 goals from field, 7 from fouls, 19 points.

Kerna—3 goals from field, 6 points.

Zales—1 goal from field, 2 points.

Carson—1 goal from field, 2 points.

Shultz—1 goal from field, 2 points.

First—1 goal from field, 2 points.

Dr. John W. H. Pollard, former Manager W. H. Barker and Manager R. W. Fowles now are at work on the basketball schedule for 1915. If present plans mature, the team will do a great deal more traveling and have a much more ambitious schedule than ever before attempted.

TRINITY HELPING IN GOOD CAUSE

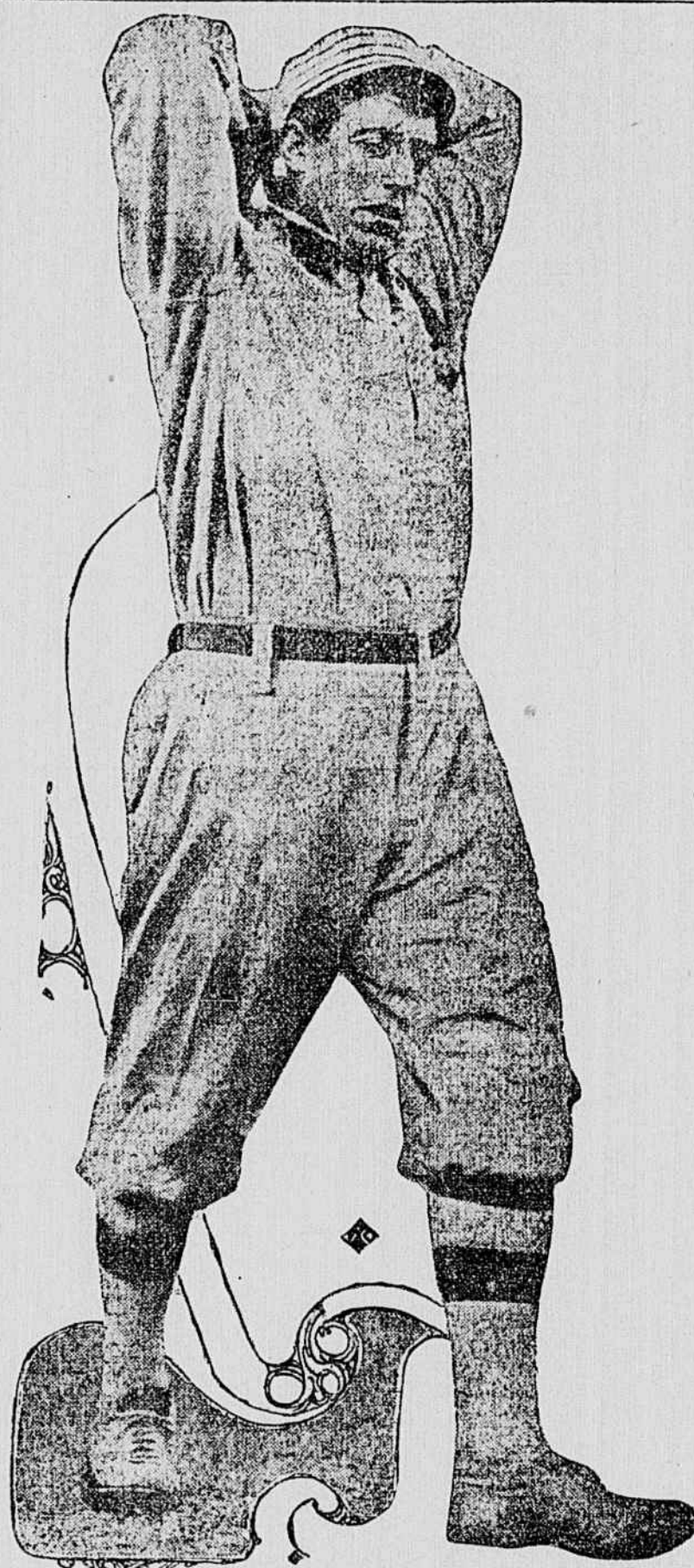
Trinity College, March 21.—Since the conference of representatives of North Carolina colleges, held in Raleigh some weeks ago, much interest has been taken here in the regulations proposed at that time for promoting the interests of pure athletics in the State. Trinity was represented at the conference by President Few, who has, during recent years, been untiring in his efforts to free the athletic situation in the State from irregularities. During the past few weeks the regulations proposed at Raleigh have been discussed by the various classes here, by the Athletic Council, the official college organization for the supervision and direction of all athletic interests, and by the faculty. The result is that the college adopted, by a unanimous vote of the faculty, the general policy of the conference held at Raleigh, proposed for uniform regulations of inter-collegiate athletics, provided that those regulations are adopted by all the other leading colleges of the State. Trinity will also send a representative to other meetings which may be held for the purpose of promoting and perfecting the plan proposed.

The movement is rather significant, and from other press reports general interest is being assumed in it. By its recent action Trinity college supports the clause eliminating professional ball players, favors the one-year rule, co-operates in the effort to establish a concerted policy in dealing with eligibility questions, adopts the principle of reasonable requirements for athletics and the reasonable limitation of the number of athletic contests. Trinity does this, however, without agreeing to change the definition of professional ball players in cases where the rules now in force at the colleges are more rigid than the rules proposed by the policy of the conference. It is further understood that whatever eligibility requirements governing athletics are adopted at Trinity, they shall not be lower than the regulations proposed at the meeting in Raleigh.

ST. LOUIS FEDS DEFEAT CHICAGO

Monroe, La., March 21.—The St. Louis Federals defeated the Chicago Federals here to-day by a score of 13 to 5.

EDDIE PLANK



The veteran twirler of the Philadelphia Athletics, and hero of the last world's series, who has delighted Manager Connie Mack by his form in the practice games at the Jacksonville, Fla., spring training camp. Plank will work here next Friday against the Colts.

MIDDIES DEFEAT PENNSYLVANIANS

Annapolis, Md., March 21.—The Naval Academy fencers were given a hard rub by the University of Pennsylvania here to-day, winning by five bouts to four. Hans, captain of the Navy team, was the only contestant to win all of his bouts. Ellsberg also did good work for the Navy, and Gerhard and Casaus for the visitors.

The Midshipmen made a fine showing with the sabre, taking four of five bouts.

YALE WINS OUT IN CLOSE FINISH

New Haven, Conn., March 21.—Yale defeated Haverford at soccer, at Yale field to-day, 3 to 2. The deciding goal was made by Tripp within ten minutes of the final whistle, after some brilliant team work by Yale men.

N. B. A. TOURNEY ATTRACTS MANY

With the closing of the entries only two weeks away, the campaign in behalf of the annual tournament of the National Bowling Association at Atlantic City, April 8 to 27, has gone to anchor on the team. As the figurative ball approaches the wooden triangle it begins to look more and more like a hit in the pocket for a ten strike.

The anchor in the person of Major M. W. Gage, the national secretary, leaves to-day for Atlantic City to be actively on the ground from now until the end of the tournament. Every day during the last week entries were received from cities never before represented in a national tournament, for instance, from Massena, N. H., Everett, Question and Harry in Whelan in their applications. Horner, Walker, former champion of Philadelphia, will head a team from Egg Harbor, N. J.

In those cities which usually have a team or two each in a tournament of this kind, there is remarkable activity. Dr. F. M. Tate, of Albany, announces there will be from five to eight teams from the New York capital. William White, of Long Branch, will once more lead the Overland. On the Morse alleys, in Schenectady, elimination contests have been run for the last six weeks to determine the personnel of three or four teams to enter the national competition. The individual registration in the New York Bowling Association is now over the 1,000 mark, and is so rapidly increasing that it looks like 1,500 before many more days have passed. There are some New York bowlers who are "on the fence" as to whether they can take the trip or not, but the outlook is for New York to produce all that has been expected of it.

The National Bowling Association board of governors held a meeting this week at the Hotel Imperia, and accepted the gift of its president, Elmer E. Duncan, of Philadelphia, of a machine to determine to a fraction of an ounce how much over the centre a bowling ball is thrown. No registration may be taken with regard to the loaded or unbalanced ball until the national convention on April 13, which means that the same spheres which were used last year at Rochester may be used again this time in Atlantic City, though it is hardly likely that the performance can be repeated a year hence.

President Duncan took occasion to call attention to the effort being made to correct several shortcomings in the rules and regulations, declaring that in time the playing rules will be more perfect, and that the implements of play would be more uniform. In other words, it will mean a closer regulation of all bowling equipment. He urged the whole bowling support for the national tournament. "In other sports the big shows are all of quality, but in this game of tennis custom seems to call especially for quantity. It may or may not be good judgment, but it is the present view and though outside the importance of the association is weighed and measured by the size rather than quality of bowling at this annual tournament. For this reason any indecision as to whether to go or not to go to Atlantic City this year should be quickly decided in the affirmative by every member of the loyal legions of the National Bowling Association."

CHESTERS WANT TO PLAY IN NORFOLK

The Chesters, one of the strongest semiprofessional baseball teams in the State of Maryland, are anxious to arrange a doubleheader with a first-class team in Norfolk on July 4. Gus Schuler, who played a great game at first base for Norfolk last season, was a member of the Chesters before he entered into professional baseball. The Chesters have a first-class team, and last season played the Baltimore Orioles of the International League, a creditable game. The Chesters will play the Baltimore Federals in April. Any team desiring to play the Chesters in Norfolk on July 4 should communicate with Manager J. W. Miller, 222 South Collington Avenue, Baltimore, Md.

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